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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJECT: TONGA

1. THE FONOFF IS PREPARING TO CELEBRATE IN A  
SUITABLE MANNER THE CENTENNIAL OF GERMAN-TONGA  
RELATIONS. THE ASIA DIVISION HAS FOUND IN ITS FILES A  
COPY OF A TREATY CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE KING OF TONGA AND  
THE KING OF PRUSSIA ON NOVEMBER 1, 1876. THE LEGAL  
DIVISION OF THE FONOFF HAS CONCLUDED THAT THE TREATY IS  
STILL VALID. THE FONOFF, THEREFORE, INTENDS TO USE THE  
TREATY AS A CORNERSTONE FOR A CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION THE  
FIRST WEEK IN NOVEMBER. THE CELEBRATION WOULD INVOLVE A  
VISIT BY THE GERMAN AMBASSADOR TO TONGA.

2. THE PURPOSE OF THE GERMAN ACTIVITY IS, OF COURSE, TO  
OFFSET RECENT SOVIET MOVES IN TONGA. ACCORDING TO  
FONOFF, GERMAN THINKING ON TONGA HAS BEEN EXPLAINED TO  
THE DEPARTMENT IN A RECENT MEETING WITH ASSISTANT  
SECERTARY HUMMEL.  
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